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## **Jergenson to join Senator Stamas**

*Former Gaylord Herald Times writer to be based out of Gaylord office*

**LANSING** – State Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, today announced that Mary Jergenson of Gaylord will join the Senate staff later this month. Jergenson will be based out of the 36th Senate District Gaylord office.

“I am excited to have Mary on board,” Stamas said. “She brings a wealth of knowledge of the local area and surrounding communities. Her extensive knowledge of the issues facing northern Michigan will be advantageous for the residents of the 36th District.”

Jergenson, a Michigan native, has worked as a staff writer with the *Gaylord Herald Times* since June of 2004. In her tenure at the newspaper, she has researched and reported on many of the issues unique to the citizens in northern Michigan such as the closing of the Gaylord Georgia-Pacific plant, the Gaylord to Mackinaw City snowmobile trail and the need for affordable housing.

“I m honored to have been selected to represent Senator Stamas in this area I have come to think of as home,” Jergenson stated. “This opportunity allows me to continue to serve my northern Michigan neighbors and learn more about the pressing issues across the region.”

Jergenson officially starts with the office Aug. 14, 2006.

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